

GLACIAL MAN IN AMERICA.
Down to a time when the memory of multitudes yet living there were few or none who did not accept without question or inquiry the belief that the Mosian narrative, so-called, marked the beginning of the world. The vast array of ponderous volumes written, published and accepted for a long period, and in explanation and support of a doctrine of man based on this narrative, has long since become more rubbish; and the fact may now be taken as an accepted one that whatever the value of the narrative in other respects, it has no scientific value as an early and actual chronological record.

It is not until the observation that it is now generally received as a demonstration that the human species, though of extremely recent appearance, is represented in the bones of the earth, nevertheless has a very high antiquity. In Europe these inquiries have been naturally led further and with more minute study in any other part of the globe, and the evidence is deemed conclusive that man existed there before the close of the last glacial period, which may have been anywhere from 10,000 to 100,000 years ago. The evidence as to the existence of primitive man in America has not yet been examined with as much painstaking and scientific care. The discussion has been chiefly to rather a hasty conclusion upon the ethnological relations of the prehistoric, but not necessarily primitive peoples who preceded the American Indians in the occupation of the American continent. On this subject the proof of the antiquity of man is regarded as furnished by the discovery of his implements—the implements of primitive times—in situations which make it certain that great forces of nature, as glacial action, have been in operation since the hand of man fashioned them.

A writer in the Popular Science Monthly for November attempts to apply to recent theories of this character in America the same line of reasoning as Europe as being the antiquity of man at a period prior to the last glacial period of glacial evidence within our north temperate zone. He finds his starting point in the discovery of implements "fashioned" by human hands in the glacial drift of the Delaware, near Trenton. He regards these remains, consisting of implements of stone, as of higher age than the glacial period, and as being contemporary with the glacial period of the Delaware. He finds his starting point in the discovery of implements "fashioned" by human hands in the glacial drift of the Delaware, near Trenton. He regards these remains, consisting of implements of stone, as of higher age than the glacial period, and as being contemporary with the glacial period of the Delaware.

It is said that a marked increase of snail shells throughout the United States will form a noted fact in the miscellaneous statistics of the new census. There are snail shells in the Delaware, and a phenomena which think that a few years hence America will exceed all other lands in this desirable respect, and others maintain that it has already achieved this unenviable distinction. An increase far beyond that of last census is shown particularly in New York. There are snail shells in the Delaware, and a phenomena which think that a few years hence America will exceed all other lands in this desirable respect, and others maintain that it has already achieved this unenviable distinction. An increase far beyond that of last census is shown particularly in New York.

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